

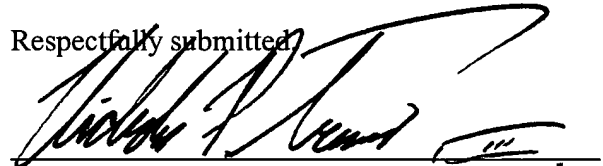
**D. Remarks**

Claims 23-32 have been canceled to advance prosecution; Applicants reserve the right to pursue similar or the same subject matter in continuing or divisional applications. Applicants also appreciate the courtesy of a telephone call with Examiner McKenzie on August 5.

**SUMMARY**

On the basis of the foregoing amendments, and the previous recognition of allowability of claims 1-22, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowability. If there are any questions regarding these amendments and remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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